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SUBJ: MEXICAN STRATEGY OF USING IWY CONFERENCE TO ENLIST

SUPPORT FOR CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES

OF STATES

1. IN OPENING SPEECH AT MARCH 4 MEETING OF CONSULTATIVE COMITE FOR WORLD CONFERENCE OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR (WCIWY) CHIEF OF MEXICAN DEL, ATTORNEY-GENERAL OJEDA PAULLADA, GAVE CLEAR INDICATION OF HOW MEXICO INTENDS TO USE WCIWY FOR ITS OWN PURPOSES. IN SUMMARY, HE PROPOUNDED THE FOLLOWING SPECIOUS SYLLOGISM: THAT PROBLEMS OF WOMEN ARE THE PROBLEMS OF SOCIETY, THAT PROBLEMS OF SOCIETY IN LDCS ARE CAUSED BY UNJUST WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER; THEREFORE, TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION OF WOMEN WE MUST FIRST ACHIEVE THE CENTRAL PURPOSE OF CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES, THAT IS, THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW, MORE JUST AND EQUITABLE ECONOMIC ORDER.

2. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. ROUGH AND READY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS. SPANISH COPIES POUCHED IO/LABW, HEATER AND EMBASSY MEXICO, HAMILTON.

INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THE SPEECH BY PEDRO OJEDA PAULLADA,
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HEAD OF THE MEXICAN DELEGATION TO THE CONSULTATIVE

COMMITTEE FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S
YEAR, MARCH 4, 1975

FIRST TWO CERMONIAL PARAGRAPHS OMITTED.

MY DELEGATION IS VERY CONSCIOUS OF THE LIMITED TIME AT
OUR DISPOSAL AND OF THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR TASKS AND FOR THAT
REASON WE WISH TO SUGGEST THAT WHEN THE GENERAL DEBATE
PERMITS WE UNDERTAKE AN ANALYSIS IN A MORE INFORMAL ATMOSPHERE
OF THOSE SUGGESTIONS OR AMENDMENTS THAT DIFFERENT
DELEGATIONS MAY PRESENT FOR THE DRAFT PLAN.

TO BE HOST TO AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IMPLIES THE
ACCEPTANCE OF A SPECIAL OBLIGATION. OVER AND ABOVE THE DIFFI-
CULTIES OF ORGANIZING IT AND OF THE EFFORT REQUIRED TO ASSURE
ITS SUCCESS, IT DEMANDS THAT THE HOST COUNTRY HAVE A
CLEAR CONCEPT OF THE PROBLEMS THAT ARE TO BE CONFRONTED
AND AN EQUALLY CLEAR IDEA OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS OF
OVERCOMING THEM. AS THE PRESIDENT OF MY COUNTRY,
LUIS ECHEVERRIA, EXPLICITLY STATED LAST FEBRUARY 15, WE
MUST ASSURE THAT THE CONFERENCE OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S
YEAR DOES NOT BECOME A FORUM FOR ENUMERATING THE POLITICAL,
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS THAT WOMEN FACE IN CONTEMPORARY
SOCIETY; ON THE CONTRARY, THE MEETING MUST APPROVE A
SERIES OF INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTS OF FUNDAMENTAL POLITICAL
VALUE IN WHICH ARE DEFINED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLE
OF INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY, THE BASIC POSTULATES
AND THE CORRESPONDING PLAN OF ACTION NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE
THE OBJECTIVES OF EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE,
WHICH WERE FIXED AS GOALS OF IWY BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

WE ARE NOT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE JOURNEY; AT THE NATIONAL
LEVEL MANY COUNTRIES HAVE RECOGNIZED THE JURIDICAL
QUALITY OF MEN AND WOMEN.

BEGINNING THIS YEAR MEXICO IS UNDERTAKING THE REFORM OF
OUR MAGNA CARTA IN WHICH THERE WILL BE EXPLICITLY SET FORTH
THIS PRINCIPLE AND WE ARE ALSO UNDERTAKING TO MAKE THE NECESSARY
MODIFICATION IN THE FEDERAL LEGISLATION IN ORDER TO ABOLISH
ALL TYPES OF DISCRIMINATION EVEN THOSE WHICH DERIVE
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FROM AN EXCESSIVE PROTECTION.

HOWEVER, WE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY
TO GO. WE ARE NOW BEGINNING THE DECISIVE STAGE IN WHICH
WE MUST IMPLEMENT THE BASIC PRINCIPLES THAT HAVE ALREADY
BEEN ESTABLISHED IN VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL FORA. OTHERWISE,
THE SOLUTIONS THAT WE PROPOSE WILL BECOME MERE DECLARATIONS
WITHOUT VALUE FOR THE LARGER PART OF THE FEMALE POPULATION

OF THE WORLD.

REFERRING MORE SPECIFICALLY TO THE DRAFT PLAN, PERMIT ME TO BEGIN MY OBSERVATIONS BY STATING THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO SUBSCRIBES FULLY TO THE PREMISE ON WHICH THIS DOCUMENT IS BASED: THE PROBLEMS OF WOMEN ARE THE PROBLEMS OF SOCIETY AS A WHOLE AND MUST, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED IN THIS CONTEXT.

WHATEVER ACTION IS UNDERTAKEN TO RESOLVE THEM MUST, THEREFORE, BE BASED ON PROGRAMS DIRECTED TOWARD ALL THE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY. MEXICO MAINTAINS THAT THE PROBLEM OF THE EQUALITY OF WOMEN IS INDIVISIBLE FROM THE PROBLEM OF DEVELOPMENT. THE OBSTACLES THAT WOMEN ENCOUNTER IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ARE INTIMATELY CONNECTED WITH THE PRESSURE WHICH AN UNJUST WORLD ECONOMIC STRUCTURE BRINGS TO BEAR UPON THESE COUNTRIES. THE TASK OF IMPROVING THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN SOCIETY IS NOT COMPLETE IF THE SOCIETY DOES NOT IMPROVE AT THE SAME TIME.

WOMEN, WHO HISTORICALLY HAVE SUFFERED FROM A DISCRIMINATORY SITUATION NO MATTER WHAT THE STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT IN THEIR COUNTRIES, ARE IN A PARTICULARLY PRIVILEGED POSITION TO UNDERSTAND THE STRUGGLE OF THOSE PEOPLES WHO ALSO OCCUPY A MARGINAL POSITION IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. AS A RESULT OF EQUALLY UNJUST AND OUTDATED RELATIONSHIPS. THE OBJECTIVE OF INTEGRATING WOMEN AS EQUAL PARTNERS WITH MEN IN THE BUILDING OF THEIR COMMON DESTINY HAS CLEAR CONSEQUENCES AT THE NATIONAL AS WELL AS THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL. WE REAFFIRM THAT EACH STATE IS PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS OWN DEVELOPMENT AND WE REALIZE THAT PROFOUND CHANGES MUST BE MADE IN SOCIO-ECONOMIC SYSTEMS THAT ARE INCAPABLE OF ABSORBING NOT ONLY THE POTENTIAL ECONOMIC SYSTEMS THAT ARE INCAPABLE OF ABSORBING NOT ONLY THE POTENTIAL ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTION OF WOMEN BUT ALSO THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF THE LABOR FORCE WHICH IS ALREADY ON HAND.

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR COUNTRIES ENCOUNTERS NOT ONLY INTERNAL OBSTACLES BUT ALSO EXTERNAL ONES. THE REMOVAL OF THE LATTER IMPLIES RADICAL CHANGES IN THE RELATIONSHIPS AMONG STATES. IF TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION OF WOMEN IS FIRST OF ALL TO OVERCOME ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL BACKWARDNESS WHICH CHARACTERIZES THE LARGER PART OF HUMANITY, IT IS EVIDENT, ONCE AGAIN, THAT WE MUST ACHIEVE TRUE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND ALSO THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES: THE BUILDING OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER AT ONCE MORE JUST AND EQUITABLE.

FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE REASONS WE SHARE THE CONCERNS THAT WERE EXPRESSED YESTERDAY IN REGARD TO THE NECESSITY OF CLEARLY ESTABLISHING THE PRIORITY THAT SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO EACH OF THE PROPOSED MEASURES.

WE CONSIDER THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO RESTATE AND UNDERLINE THE IMPORTANCE WITHIN EACH OF THE CHAPTERS WHICH WE ARE BEGINNING TO DISCUSS TODAY OF THE CONCEPT THAT MAKE CLEAR THE RELATIONSHIP EXISTING BETWEEN THE PROBLEMS OF WOMEN AND THE PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT. WE CALL ATTENTION TO THE NECESSITY OF FOCUSING THE DISCUSSION ON THEMES DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO THE PROBLEM BEFORE US WITHOUT ENTERING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INTO AN EXHAUSTIVE ANALYSIS OF OTHER TOPICS WHICH COULD DIVERT OUR ATTENTION.

MADAME PRESIDENT, IN THE EVENT THAT MY SUGGESTION REGARDING THE CREATION OF A SMALL WORKING GROUP SHOULD BE ACCEPTED, MY DELEGATION WILL SUBMIT CERTAIN CONCRETE OBSERVATIONS ON THE PLAN WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBLE INTERNATIONAL ACTION AND WITH RESPECT TO MAKING AN EVALUATION OF THE

PROGRAM ITSELF ON WHICH WE HAVE CERTAIN RESERVATIONS.

WE ARE AT AN HISTORIC JUNCTURE. THE ORGANIZATION OF THE UN
IS NOT ONLY A FORUM FOR THE EXCHANGE OF OPINION, IT IS THE
ONLY OPTION FOR CREATING A JUST PEACE AMONG ALL PEOPLES
AND FOR PROMOTING THE EQUALITY AND THE WELL-BEING OF ALL
HUMAN BEINGS.

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